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Docket No.: 1252/1G348US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Umashanker SAMPATH, Joseph A. TOCE, and Sourena NADJI

Serial No.: 09/853,047

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Group Art Unit: 1623

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Examiner: Josephine YOUNG

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 10, 2002.

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-31 are pending.